

b) Amendments to the Specification

Please substitute the paragraph on page 1, lines 5-15 with the following replacement paragraph.

--The present invention relates ~~to a method of preparing porous, the invention relates~~ to applications of porous inorganic oxides which are used as catalysts, absorbents and the like. In particular, the invention relates to the technology of preparing mesostructured silica film and mesoporous silica film and also to the technology of patterning mesostructured silica and meso porous silica in which the tubular pores are uniaxially aligned into a desired shape at desired positions on a substrate.--